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In re Application of :  
John A. Sollars, Jr. :  
Application No. 09/884,541 :  
Filed: June 19, 2001 :  
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This is a decision on the request for reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed October 6, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is Granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in a timely manner in reply to the final Office action mailed April 4, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months from the mail date of the Notice. A three-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 was obtained on October 4, 2002. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on October 5, 2002.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 3616 for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

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